

## Draper pledges to keep 'on track' with inerrancy

NASHVILLE—Pledging to keep Southern Baptists "on track" with belief in an inerrant Bible, Jimmy Draper was inaugurated Aug. 20 as the eighth president of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

The 55-year-old Texas pastor replaces Lloyd Elder, who took early retirement after a lengthy dispute with conservative trustees.

About 1,500 people filled an auditorium and overflow rooms at the Sunday School Board's Nashville headquarters for the inaugural ceremonies. Guests included denominational leaders, board employees and friends.

In his inaugural address, Draper quoted the board's first president to illustrate his point that the 100-year-old institution was founded upon a belief in inerrancy.

Draper quoted J.M. Frost from an introduction to the book, "Baptist Why or Why Not," published by the board in 1900: "We accept the Scriptures as an all-sufficient and infallible rule of faith and practice and insist upon the absolute inerrancy and sole authority of the word of God. We recognize at this point no room for division, either of practice or belief, or even sentiment. More and more we must come to feel as the deepest and mightiest power of our conviction that a 'thus saith the Lord' ends all controversy."

In an aside, Draper quipped that inerrancy is "that new word people say we never had around here before."

"That's our history. That's where we have been," Draper said. "We'll not deviate from that. So when I say that's the track



**INAUGURAL BIBLE**—Upon his inauguration as the eighth president of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Jimmy Draper receives a Bible from Joy Lang, who has worked at the Houston Baptist Book Store for 45 years, the longest tenure of any Sunday School Board employee. (BP photo by Jim Veneman)

we're going down, don't look at me like a calf at a new gate. That's where the track has been going all this time."

Draper called on the Sunday School Board to "dream and plan big. There ought to be a restless discontent with what we are as we look at where we ought to be."

He praised the "strong structure" of the board, noting revenues for the year ending Sept. 30 likely will reach an all-time high.

However, he expressed concern that unit sales will continue the downward trend of recent years.

"There is certainly a wonderful foundation and a wonderful success that we will build upon, but we have some things that we must acknowledge and must deal with," Draper said.

He pledged to emphasize four dimensions of leadership: spiritual, business, or-

ganization and people.

"We need to be reminded that we are first and foremost in the business of meeting the spiritual needs of people. That's why we exist," he said.

Strengthening the board and meeting customer needs will require developing mutual trust, exploring new ways of doing things, sharing power and opportunity, improving quality and encouraging "intelligent risk taking," Draper said.

Two of the three living former board presidents, Elder and James L. Sullivan, attended the inauguration. Former president Grady Cothen, now living in Florida, was unable to attend but sent a letter of greeting.

SBC President Morris Chapman and former SBC President Adrian Rogers participated in the service. Other former SBC presidents attending the service were Atlanta evangelist Bailey Smith and H. Franklin Paschall, pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church of Nashville.

Chapman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Wichita Falls, Texas, predicted, "Under the leadership of this dear man of God, all Southern Baptists will experience the heart of God emanating from this great institution."

A 35-year employee, a 45-year employee and a member of the presidential search committee presented Draper the symbols of office—presidential medallion, the certificate of presidential investiture and a Bible.

This story was reported by Linda Lawson of the SBC Sunday School Board.

## Baptists praise life and work of H.C. Chiles

By Marv Knox  
Editor

An era of Kentucky Baptist history ended last week, when the Western Recorder published the final set of Sunday school lessons written by H.C. Chiles.

Chiles' first lesson appeared Dec. 27, 1949, for what now is called the Convention Uniform series. He added lessons for the Life and Work series May 11, 1967, and has not missed a lesson in either series.

Declining health finally forced him to give up the lessons, said his daughter, Shirley Humphreys of Lexington. He suffered a series of strokes through late spring and summer. His wife, Elizabeth, broke her pelvis and shares a room with him in a Lexing-

ton healthcare facility.

"Dad is no longer able whatsoever to continue," Humphreys said of her father, who will be 86 Sept. 21.

Chiles was pastor of First Baptist Church of Murray when he began writing the lessons. He served the Murray congregation until he retired Nov. 22, 1970. In retirement, he taught six and a half years at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's Boyce Bible School in Louisville and nine and a half years at Clear Creek Baptist Bible College in Pineville. Among other achievements, his career included a term as president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and 30 years as clerk of Blood River Baptist Association.

But four decades of writing lessons brought Chiles special pleasure, his daugh-

ter recalled: "He thought it was one of the finest avenues of ministry he had in that he reached so many people.

"My recollection as a child was that he took Mother and me and his trusty typewriter everywhere. Wherever we went, he had to spend time with his Bible and typewriter and materials so he could complete the lessons on time."

And when submitting those lessons on time called for sacrifice, he rose to the occasion, she said. "There were times when we would drive from Murray to the printers in Louisville for him to hand in the lessons right before they went to press."

That kind of commitment characterized his entire ministry, recalled friends and col-

continued on page 9, "Friends praise ..."

### CP needed by Aug. 31

Time is running out for churches to contribute to the 1990-91 Kentucky Baptist Cooperative Program unified budget.

"Church treasurers will want to be aware that any further church contributions they wish to be included in this fiscal year must be postmarked on or before Saturday, Aug. 31," reported William W. Marshall, the state convention's executive secretary-treasurer. "Letters postmarked after that—even if the check is dated earlier—will be included in the next fiscal year's receipts."

"I am still counting on Kentucky Baptist churches to do their best to at least equal last year's contributions," he added. That amount was \$17,118,788.

## Youth urged to gather at the flagpole Sept. 11

By Mark Wingfield  
News Director

As Kentucky teen-agers return to school, youth leaders hope students will gather at the flagpole for prayer and then lead others to the waters of baptism.

Two related youth events are being promoted statewide this fall by the Kentucky Baptist Convention's evangelism office and the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. Both are intended to reverse nationwide and statewide declines in youth baptisms.

See You at the Pole is designed to encourage Christian teen-agers on their school campuses, while Youth Reach is designed to celebrate youth evangelism in local churches.

See You at the Pole is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 11, statewide. Middle school, junior high and high school students are encouraged to gather around their

school flagpoles at 7 a.m. for prayer, said Billy Compton, associate director of the KBC evangelism office.

The success of such an event depends

schedules, he suggested changing the event to another time the same day.

The flagpole was chosen as a gathering point because it is something every school has and usually is located in a highly visible area, Compton said. "This is an obvious place to meet on most school campuses."

"This is not a protest," he added. "It's designed to be all positive. We're encouraging students to pray they can have a positive impact on their schools."

Compton's suggestions for the event include 10-15 minutes of student-led prayer for the school, for teachers, for administrators, for freedom to gather at the pole, for forgiveness, for a renewed faith in Christ and for strength to be a positive witness for Christ.

See You at the Pole is a follow-up to the state youth evangelism conference held in

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# Soviet Baptists 'ecstatic' about coup's overthrow

MOSCOW—Baptists in the Soviet Union are "ecstatic" about the triumph of democracy and new opportunities for spreading the gospel after last week's failed coup, Southern Baptists' first missionaries to the Soviet Union reported.

When the tanks rolled out of Moscow and the people had won the day, "joy and thankfulness to the Lord" broke out among Russian Christians, said Veda Rae Lozuk.

She and her husband, George, arrived in Moscow earlier this year to work with Soviet Baptists. They could scarcely imagine that tanks would roll through the streets before summer's end in a failed attempt to overthrow Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and his democratic reforms, which opened the door for their ministry.

The Lozuks are happy—and relieved. A Russian friend told them one of the first priorities of the coup leaders would have

been to "kick all the foreigners out of the country."

The other Southern Baptist missionaries in the Soviet Union, Stephen and Marilyn Haines, who arrived in Kiev Aug. 1, also are safe, the Lozuks said. New missionaries Danny and Libby Panter still were scheduled to arrive in Moscow Aug. 22. Fifteen other Southern Baptist aid workers in three Soviet republics also are safe.

The Lozuks joined Russian believers for prayer at a small Baptist church Aug. 19, the first full day of the coup attempt. Some Russian Baptists joined Russian Orthodox believers and tens of thousands of other citizens outside the Russian parliament building where Boris Yeltsin defied hard-line coup leaders and their tanks.

When the coup failed, believers joined other citizens in celebration.

"I just saw on the TV a great gathering at

Red Square with Yeltsin," Lozuk said in an Aug. 22 telephone interview. "The Russian Orthodox leader was there, and he was praising God and telling the people it was God's will that Russia was going to be free."

The failure of communist hard-liners to destroy the Soviet Union's move toward democracy will give religious freedom there another major boost, observers said. Soviet Baptists believe the churches will never return to the old days of repression.

"The church leaders have told us in that it's gone so far, the freedom they've given the church, that (the communists) can never take that away again," Lozuk said. "There is the freedom to organize churches. There is the freedom to worship. Young people are in the churches now. I don't know what else the Lord might have in store for us."

"I wouldn't be surprised to see a spiritual movement sweep over this country, because people are so hungry and so thirsty for the word of God and they've been denied hearing it for such a very long time," she said.

Grigoria Komendant, president of the Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists in the USSR, has asked the world's Baptists to pray for "our country and its people."

"The situation in our country is alarming ... Pray for the help and mercy of God for our long-suffering people," Komendant said. In a telegram to the Baptist World Alliance, he urged prayers that "the processes of liberalization and democratization begun by President Gorbachev will be continued."

This story was reported by Erich Bridges of the SBC Foreign Mission Board and by Baptist Press.

## Lexington book store, price hike approved

NASHVILLE—A new Baptist Book Store in Lexington was approved by trustees of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board during their August meeting in Nashville.

Trustees also approved adding a flat 6 percent shipping and handling fee to all orders, with a minimum charge of \$2.50 and a maximum charge of \$50. There currently is no shipping and handling fee for dated church literature.

The new 6 percent fee on all products will be implemented instead of a 5 percent increase in dated literature prices approved last February.

This means churches ordering \$500 worth of Sunday school literature will now pay \$530 for the same material. The change will take effect Jan. 1, 1992.

Churches will pay actual freight charges for certain large supplies, such as steeples

and baptistries, in addition to fees for rush shipments and special handling requests.

The Lexington Baptist Book Store will open by July 1, 1992.

In a survey of 30 potential sites for a new book store, the Lexington market ranked first in the amount of charge purchases already being made through other Baptist Book Stores. A strong economic base and high educational level also were cited as reasons Lexington was chosen.

In other action, trustees:

- Adopted a 1991-92 operating budget of \$205.3 million, marking the first Southern Baptist Convention agency to exceed a \$200 million budget.

- Appointed a five-member committee to work with President Jimmy Draper to search for an executive vice president to succeed James D. Williams, who resigned

to become president of the SBC Brotherhood Commission.

- Heard that more than 11,000 copies of the first volume of "The New American Commentary" have been sold, as have more than 1 million copies of "The Baptist Hymnal."

- Received a financial report for the first nine months of the current fiscal year showing an increase of 4.7 percent above budget and 9.3 percent above the previous year.

- Voted to study a possible downsizing of the 93-member trustee body.

- Voted to place a plaque in the headquarters building lobby bearing a statement from the board's founder, J.M. Frost, which affirms the inerrancy of the Bible.

This story was reported by Charles Willis of the Sunday School Board and Mark Wingfield of the Western Recorder.

## Draper's new role is identity change

By Linda Lawson  
SBC Sunday School Board

EULESS, Texas (BP)—Ending his 35-year career as a pastor to become president of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board represents not only a change in vocation for Jimmy Draper but also a change in identity.

"I've always said being a pastor is not what I do but what I am," Draper said the morning after his last Sunday as pastor of First Baptist Church of Euless, Texas. "How do you stop being what you are? It's a major adjustment."

Draper said meeting employees and learning about board structures and processes will be top priorities in his first days on the job. "I will be meeting with top-level management to find out what their divisions are doing. I also hope to do a lot of wandering. Over a period of time, I would like to meet all the employees personally."

He said he hopes to complete the initial process of gathering information and begin charting future directions within six months.

"It would be foolish of me to go in and start doing things without taking the time to learn what I'm doing," Draper said. On the other hand, "I don't want to drag my feet. I plan to work at it."

Working hard to excel is familiar turf for Draper. During his 16-year pastorate in Euless, the church registered a net gain of 6,500 members. A total of 4,300 people made professions of faith and were baptized.

While Draper does not have specific plans and goals in place, he brings concerns about shortening the production process to make literature more current and about meeting critical needs such as depression and burn-out in the ministry.

"My philosophy of pastoring a church is that you do ministry by touching people where they hurt," he said. "I think the Sunday School Board can do the same thing. If we're not touching people where they hurt, we're not really meeting their needs. Everybody's hurting."

From his 35 years as a pastor of seven churches and associate pastor of one, Draper brings the conviction that Sunday school is the best way to build and sustain growth. As pastor, he regularly told new Christians and new church members that the first thing they needed to do was get in Sunday school.

In Draper's last Sunday morning sermon at Euless, he reviewed the growth of the past and challenged church members to greater days ahead. "Don't look back. Move forward," he urged.

He mentioned control of his emotions until he said, "You know, I've never been anything but a preacher."

## Follow 'high call,' Elder says on exit

By Linda Lawson  
SBC Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE (BP)—"Listen to the drum roll of the Savior; follow his steps forever; seek his gracious favor; never, never waver," Lloyd Elder told employees of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board Aug. 9 in his last chapel service as president.

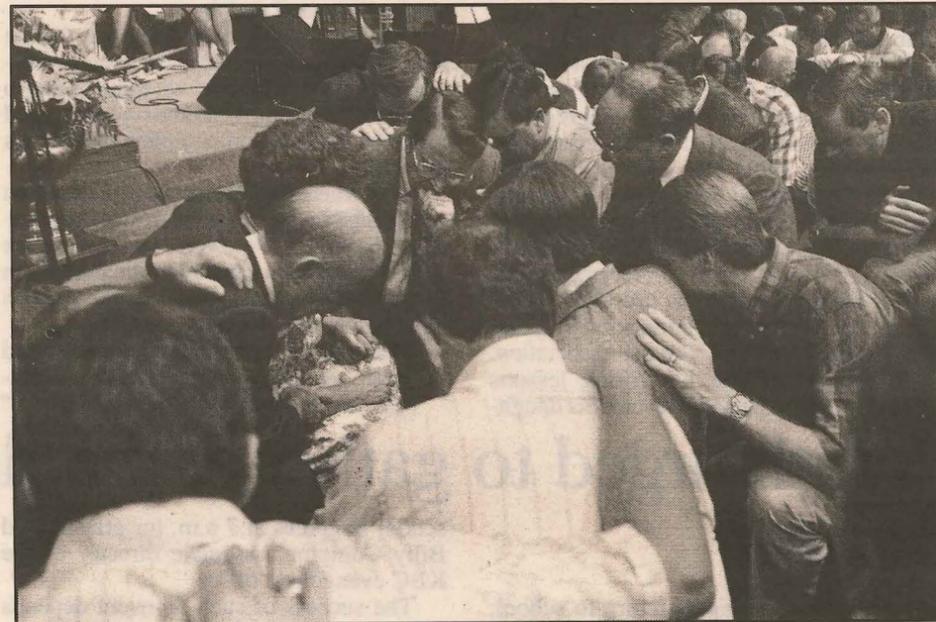
"Within our roles and positions, for the good of this great board's mission, undergirding the work of President Jimmy Draper, let us follow the high call of God in Christ," he urged.

Elder, who became the board's seventh president in 1984, retired Aug. 16 in accordance with an agreement reached after a lengthy dispute with trustees about his leadership. Elder began work in a new assignment Aug. 19 at Belmont College, a Baptist school in Nashville.

"My hope is that the board will continue to serve the largest possible number of people and churches in its historic programs," Elder told Baptist Press. "I hope the board will maintain the trust of our constituency and continue to have strong working relationships with other Baptist entities."

Elder and his wife, Sue, have established a Centennial Employee/Retiree Fund at the board with a personal gift of \$10,000. The purpose of the fund, to which others may contribute, is to meet emergency needs of employees and retirees.

He said the fund represented an expression of gratitude "in honor of all our fellow employees and retirees for service beyond the call of duty and love beyond measure."



**COMMISSIONING**—Jimmy and Carol Ann Draper are surrounded by deacons at First Baptist Church in Euless, Texas, during a special commissioning them to ministry at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. Draper, pastor of the Texas church for the past 16 years, was inaugurated Aug. 20 as the Sunday School Board's eighth president. (BP photo by Jim Veneman)

### Sunday School Board facts:

- 1991-92 budget of \$205.3 million
- Employs 1,800 people in its Nashville headquarters and in 62 Baptist Book Stores and two national conference centers
- Directs 17 SBC programs including Sunday school, discipleship training, church music, church administration, family and student ministry and Bible and book publishing
- An agency of the Southern Baptist Convention, but does not receive Cooperative Program funds
- Governed by a 93-member board of trustees elected by messengers to annual meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention
- Former presidents are Lloyd Elder (1984-91), Grady Cothen (1975-84), James Sullivan (1953-75), T.L. Holcomb (1935-53), I.J. Van Ness (1916-35), T.P. Bell (1893-96) and J.M. Frost (1891-93 and 1896-1916)

# Hurricane Bob whirls Kentuckians into action

SWANSEA, Mass.—Three days after Hurricane Bob pounded the New England coast, Kentucky Baptist volunteers made local headlines for their cleanup and feeding ministries.

"Kentucky Baptists Practice What They Preach" was the headline in a Providence, R.I., newspaper Aug. 22. The newspaper printed a photograph of Kentucky volunteers Richard Otto from Stanford and Harold Moore from Ashland.

A crew of 19 volunteers affiliated with Kentucky Baptist Men departed for the New England coast Monday night, Aug. 19, the same day Hurricane Bob dealt its heaviest blow to the area. Additional crews have since joined the effort, bringing the total number of Kentucky volunteers to about 75, said John Lott, associate director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Brotherhood office.

KBC Brotherhood Director Bob Simpkins is leading the Baptist disaster relief effort in that region, utilizing teams from

Kentucky and Ohio.

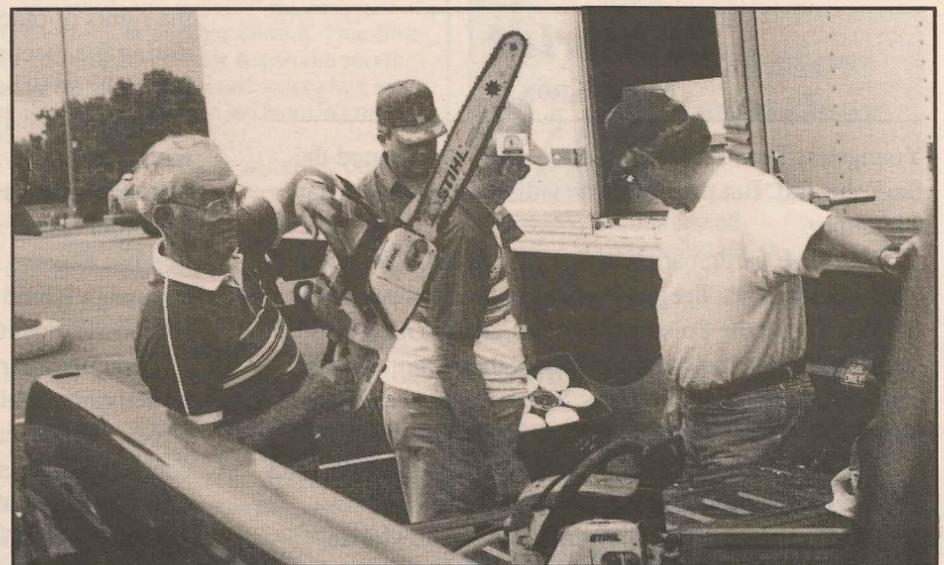
The volunteers are providing food and cleanup help for residents battered by the storm. "There is extensive damage from here all the way out to the end of Cape Cod, Mass.," Lott reported. Swansea, where Kentucky volunteers have based their work, is located in suburban Providence, R.I.

In their first days of work, Kentuckians received requests to help with 70 cleanup projects, ranging from removing downed trees to pumping out flooded basements.

The feeding ministry was necessary because many of the hardest-hit areas were without electricity for days after the storm and many roads were blocked by fallen trees. Residents had no means to keep food fresh even if they could get it.

"We've had lots of folks tell us they couldn't understand why Kentucky Baptists were here," Lott said. "This area is primarily Catholic. They don't know Baptists."

"It has really touched a lot of folks' hearts."



READY TO GO—Kentucky Baptist volunteers load chainsaws in preparation to leave for a disaster relief assignment in New England in the aftermath of Hurricane Bob.

## Three Kentucky couples appointed by FMB

RICHMOND, Va.—Six of the 40 people named missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Aug. 13 were shaped by Kentucky Baptist churches and institutions.

John and Shari Klaassen will live in Spain, where they will work in discipleship training. Robert and Joni Shippe will live in Bolivia, where they will work in discipleship promotion and church planting. Steve and Sharon Neill will live in Tanzania, where they will work in religious education programs.

Klaassen is pastor of Squiresville Baptist Church in Owenton. The Klaassens are also former members of Farmdale Baptist Church in Louisville.

He received the master of divinity degree

from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, and she completed 20 hours of seminary study.

While in Louisville, Klaassen taught at Dupont Manual High School and American Career Development Institute. Mrs. Klaassen worked as a nurse at Humana University of Louisville Hospital and Three

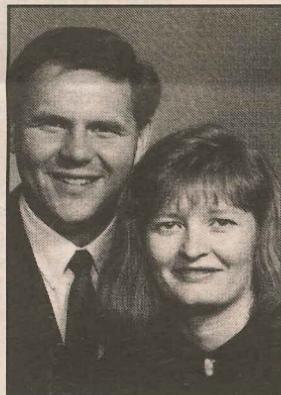
Rivers District Health Department in Owenton.

The Shipes met and married while students at Cumberland College in Williamsburg. Natives of Ohio and Texas, they moved from Kentucky to Texas, where he earned degrees at Dallas Baptist University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He is currently pastor of Peachcrest Baptist Church in Decatur, Ga.

Neill was formerly minister of music and youth at Cave City Baptist Church. He earned the master of divinity degree from Southern Seminary, and his wife worked in the seminary's annual giving development office.

He is currently minister of youth and education at Woodland Baptist Church in Peoria, Ill.



Klaassens



Shipes



Neills

## Redbook managing editor named to Georgetown post

GEORGETOWN—Jennifer Johnson, managing editor of Redbook magazine for the past eight years, has been named vice president for national development at Georgetown College.

Johnson will begin her duties in the newly created position Sept. 1. She will be responsible for corporate and foundation relations, student publications, the college's Foust Lecture Series and will assist in community education.

The appointment was announced by Pres-

ident William Crouch during the annual faculty workshop. It is his first major appointment since becoming president Aug. 1.

Johnson is a native of Coeburn, Va., and graduate of Carson-Newman College, a Baptist school in Jefferson City, Tenn. She currently serves as associate general chair for strategic gifts in Carson-Newman's \$50 million development campaign.

Prior to her tenure with Redbook, Johnson was managing editor of Mademoiselle and The House and Garden Guides. She also

served as a consultant to Glamour and Vanity Fair.

Johnson, who currently lives in New York City, will move to Georgetown.

Citing the "energy and enthusiasm" of the administration, Johnson said Georgetown College is "perfectly situated to respond to the urgent national need of preparing students to play a useful role in society."

She said she hopes to promote the "special qualities of a small, liberal arts college with a strong spiritual foundation."

## Avoid 'burden of divinity,' ministers told

By Pat Cole  
Southern Seminary

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Ministers must avoid bearing the "burden of divinity" admiring church members sometimes assign them, a Texas pastor told participants at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's Pastor's School.

Congregations often place ministers "on a pedestal as someone who represents the Lord," said Ben Loring, pastor of First Baptist Church of Amarillo, Texas.

Ministers, he added, are prone to "listen too carefully" to the plaudits of their church members.

"We have assumed the messiah complex," he said. "We believe too much in

ourselves without the proper perspective."

Instead of striving toward a divine identity, ministers should use the "fragility of humanity" to represent God's power to transform lives, Loring said. "It is through our humanity that we make contact with people to represent the difference Christ can make."

Ministers often limit their effectiveness by not allowing themselves to be vulnerable to the wide range of human emotions, Loring said.

Still, he stressed ministers must also "avoid getting our own needs met through being a care giver." This tendency often leads to the moral failure of ministers, Loring noted. "If we are not aware of our own need level in our lives, we can fall prey to the fragility of our humanness."

## Food for thought: Give garden extras

Got corn running out your ears? Have so many tomatoes you're seeing red? Are neighbors green with envy over the bounty of your zucchini crop?

The abundance of vegetables in gardens planted by Kentucky Baptist church members could help feed some of the state's less fortunate, Robin Jimmerson believes.

Jimmerson, pastor of Campbellsburg Baptist Church, sprouted an idea for ministry after church members continued to bombard him with zucchini.

"When I went to visit I had to lock my car doors to keep people from putting Zucchini in," he says.

After realizing this abundance of home-grown produce could benefit people who need food, Jimmerson proposed a ministry idea to church members.

They volunteered the overflow from their gardens and nearly filled a pickup truck with zucchini, okra, apples and other fruits and vegetables. The giant fruit and vegetable basket was delivered to the Salvation Army Family Center in Louisville.

There are many other places throughout the state that could benefit from such a collective ministry effort, the pastor says. "This is a direct way to deal with hunger."

"It is something rural churches can do that is not that hard to organize."

## Campers on mission to pitch tent in state

A nationwide program for Christian campers wants to pitch its tent in Kentucky.

Campers on Mission, a volunteer ministry administered by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, will hold an organizational rally at the Coast-to-Coast Campground in Park City Sept. 13-15.

Carl and Mary Reagan, volunteer coordinators for Campers on Mission nationwide, will lead the rally.

Campers on Mission is a fellowship of Christian campers who share their faith while they camp. Membership is open to Christian campers of all denominations and requires no membership fees. The fellowship includes tent campers, RV campers, cyclists, retirees, singles adults and families.

Ross Figart, mountain missions director for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, is in charge of local arrangements. Reservations must be made directly with the campground by calling (502) 749-2891. Cost is \$10 per night.

## Head's son killed

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—Former Kentucky Baptist Michael Steven Head, 25, died Aug. 19 in a motorcycle accident in Knoxville.

Head was the son of Maynard and Joyce Head of Middlesboro. His father is vice president for development at Clear Creek Baptist Bible College in Pineville.

Head had been living in Knoxville while he attended the University of Tennessee.

Survivors include his parents; his wife of three months, Becky; and a brother, David.

A memorial service and burial were held in Middlesboro Aug. 22.

# Pray for teens praying 'at the pole'

## editorial

Marv Knox

Youngsters from across Kentucky will "rally 'round the flag" this fall. But their purpose will be to pray, not wave Old Glory.

They'll be participating in See You at the Pole, a nationwide Southern Baptist youth effort slated for 7 a.m. Sept. 11. See You at the Pole has been designed to help Baptist teens strengthen their faith and reach their campuses for Christ. A companion program, Youth Reach, has been planned to stress youth evangelism in Baptist churches.

Baptist teens must be careful, however, as they conduct See You at the Pole. Three areas of concern:

□ Don't ask teachers and administrators to violate church-state separation.

Asking school staff to support the prayer meetings "sets up unrealistic expectations and a no-win situation, as these persons cannot legally support a student prayer meeting," warned Oliver Thomas, general counsel for the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, in a letter to national leaders of the effort.

Billy Compton, associate director of the Kentucky Baptist evangelism office, developed See You at the Pole guidelines which will help students avoid this pitfall. Compton encouraged students to provide leadership in all phases of planning, conducting and recording the meetings.

"Students should be encouraged to inform their school administrators about their plans for the prayer meetings and accept reasonable suggestions on time, place and manner," Thomas noted.

"If conflicts with your school schedule will not allow you to meet at this time, we encourage you to rally at another time on this same day," Compton urged.

□ Observe the religious liberty of other students.

"Students have a right to hold See You at the Pole meetings," Thomas wrote. "They have an obligation to respect

the rights of others by refraining from denigrating others during the meetings or aggressively proselytizing or exerting pressure on students to attend."

Students who do not respect others' rights could damage their Christian witnesses and hurt the chances of other Christian groups to meet on campus, he told the Western Recorder last week. The National School Board Association has expressed concern that an aggressive evangelistic campaign would create conflict between Christian and non-Christian students, he added.

"I do not interpret these See You at the Pole meetings to be activities held under the Equal Access Act of 1984," he wrote. "However, a bad experience with such a meeting could cause the affected school to close its forum under the act, resulting in the loss of regularly scheduled on-campus student Bible studies or prayer meetings."

□ Avoid falling into the civil religion trap.

Some Baptists who saw early red-white-and-blue fliers about See You at the Pole worried. They feared that teens worshiping around a U.S. flag would mistake God and country and make the flagpole an altar.

Their concerns are understandable. Nationalism is a flimsy excuse for religion, even if the line between them is blurry. Young people need to be reminded that patriotism and appreciation of American freedoms are praiseworthy and proper. But no person, nation or symbol should come between a Christian and the object of ultimate loyalty—God.

The flagpole is more a common location than a symbol, Compton told the Recorder. Almost every school will have a flagpole in an accessible location; it's a common element on campuses across the country. Compton's See You at the Pole suggestions urge students to thank God for the freedom to gather around the flagpole.

Our schools need prayer, and Christian teens will benefit from the experience of praying and proclaiming their faith. Let's pray for our young people as they pray for their teachers and classmates.

# Deep Mama's favorite season

## down home

Deep Mama, my secret source on Kentucky Baptist parenting, wanted to see me. She contacted me in her usual way—an anonymous note, written with a mascara pencil on the back of a grocery receipt.

Deep Mama showed up at the appointed time and place: The big slide at the elementary school playground at sunrise. She wanted to talk about her favorite time of year, back-to-school.

"Isn't it wonderful?" she queried. "In just a few minutes, Junior and Bitsy will get on that yellow bus and ride right out of my hair for eight glorious hours. Oh, what a beautiful morning!"

"But Deep Mama," I countered, "you've always been my model for parenthood. Now it sounds like you don't love your children."

"For shame!" Deep Mama intoned. She reminded me of the time after church when I saw her step between her kids and Mr. Gnarly, the neighborhood Doberman. Mr. Gnarly learned to moan the blues, Deep Mama got stitches, but those kids weren't scratched.

"Listen," Deep Mama went on, "any honest mother will tell you that just because she loves her kids doesn't mean she has to like them every minute of every day. And the longer the summer, the tougher it is to like. Ever since vacation Bible school, Junior and Bitsy have been bored. We play games and go places, but they need the stimulus of school."

"Besides, they really like going back to school. Sure, Junior whined a little and Bitsy says she's scared she can't find her room. But I saw the gleam in those little eyes when we went shopping for school supplies. And I don't think it was just the bubblegum sno-cones. Bitsy's been talking about friends she hasn't seen since May. And the other day, Junior asked me the capital of Iowa. He'll learn soon enough; his new teacher is a whiz at geography."

I know Deep Mama loves her kids and even enjoys the anarchy of a houseful of youngsters. "Deep Mama, doesn't anything about back-to-school make you sad?" I asked, anticipating a comment about quietness or loneliness.

"Only one thing," she replied. "I wish I could go with them. School days were some of the happiest days of my life. Why, look at that cardinal over there!"

I turned to see where she was pointing, and when I turned back, Deep Mama had completed her vanishing act.

Leaving the neighborhood, I saw Deep Mama, my secret source on Kentucky Baptist pastoring, out for his morning jog. He motioned for me to pull over, and I rolled down my window.

"Isn't this a glorious day!" he chirped. "Back-to-school. My favorite time of year. Sunday school oughtta be up 25 percent this week ..."

—Marv Knox

# Chiles built legacy on love & commitment

What becomes a legend most?

In the case of H.C. Chiles, the answer is love and commitment.

Chiles wrote his own Kentucky Baptist legend without ever mentioning himself.

He began writing Sunday school lessons for the Western Recorder Dec. 22, 1949. He added a second weekly lesson May 11, 1967, when the Life and Work series joined the Convention Uniform series. The Recorder published his final lessons last week.

Chiles wrote 3,425 lessons, far more than doubling the prolific output of Herschel Hobbs, who has written Life and Work lessons since the 1960s. Although the claim cannot be verified absolutely, many people believe Chiles has written more Sunday school lessons than anyone

in the history of Christianity.

Love—for the Bible and Kentucky Baptists—fueled Chiles through all those long hours of lesson preparation. Friends and former church members say he always placed the Bible at the center of his preaching.

C.R. Daley, editor of the Western Recorder for 27 years of Chiles' tenure, notes Chiles maintained the largest personal library for biblical study in the state. It ranked a commitment of time, energy and financial sacrifice dedicated to the study of God's word.

Chiles also loved writing Sunday school lessons because he loves Baptists, reports his daughter, Shirley Humphreys. He always has delighted in meeting strangers blessed by his lessons in the Recorder, she says. They reminded him of

the point of the lessons—to help Christians understand the Bible and to apply that knowledge to their lives.

Chiles persevered for 41 years and eight months because of his commitment to the task. Family and friends stress that he wrote on his own time. He refused to let the lessons get in the way of his pastoral and teaching duties, but he never missed a deadline.

The Western Recorder and Kentucky Baptists have been honored through their long association with H.C. Chiles. He generously shared the blessings of his wisdom, insight and Bible knowledge.

The Recorder's board of directors and staff are studying the future of Sunday school lessons in the paper. We have inherited a rich legacy we dare not waste.

—Marv Knox

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# Worship energizes the entire church

## viewpoint

What is the purpose of the church? Sunday school? Worship? Discipleship training? Evangelism? Missions? Giving? What? This question was asked several years ago during music week at Ridgecrest, N.C. The leader stated that worship is the most important phase of the church. If people come to church and truly worship, then the other programs will prosper.

Picture a coffee cup as your heart. If I had a gallon of water and began to pour, and continued to pour, it would fill and overflow. If we empty our hearts of all known sin and let God pour his love into an empty heart, it would overflow. The overflow would be evangelism, Sunday school, missions and all the other programs.

If we have real worship, we will depart from church with our hearts bubbling over for the cause of Christ. We will want to teach, tell others about Christ, do missions,

give and do what God wants us to do.

Since worship is the main purpose, we should spend more time planning our worship services. If our service is for 60, 75 or 90 minutes, each moment should count for the glory of God. Don't waste time.

In every congregation, there is a troubled heart, a wandering mind, and it is the worship leaders' responsibility to get everyone to focus on God and his love. Let God speak to the worshippers through prayer, singing and preaching.

I've been in services where the music director will get up on Sunday morning and say, "What are we going to 'sang' today?" No planning ahead. The same old songs are sung. Music should tap the soul of the heart, not the sole of your feet.

While teaching a music school in a medium-sized church, I found the members knew very few hymns. They had never heard of "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

In one service, the theme was "Go Ye, Go Ye," then they sang "Just Like a Tree Planted by the Water, I Shall not be Moved."

The Doxology was always sung on Sun-

day morning at another church. One Sunday morning, the pastor began the services by saying, "The choir is all sick today; let us stand and sing, 'Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow.'"

I have sat in on many seminars on worship. The leaders of these seminars complain about taking time from worshipping God to read the church bulletin announcements to the congregation. This is to be a time of worship—not a time of promotions. Don't commercialize worship services.

There is a story about someone giving the pastor an announcement just before the worship hour. He forgot it, but remembered it while giving the benediction. He said: "Lord, bless the meeting Friday night at 7:30 here at the church. Amen." As the congregation filed out, the person that gave him the note said, "Pastor, you forgot to tell the Lord the meeting is potluck."

Let us plan and conduct our worship services with prayer and concern for God and others. Mark 12:29-31.

Glenn Durham  
Harlan



## on mission together

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## A summer place

At least eight associational Baptist Camps in Kentucky are in operation during the summer, reaching many youth not touched by our two, large state assemblies. In 1990, these eight camps provided ministry to more than 2,300 participants.

Scores of life-changing decisions are made. One of those decisions took place a few weeks ago at Boone's Creek Baptist Camp (near Winchester) as reported by Mack Pressley, associational director of missions responsible for the camp.

"It was our first coed week. Ninety campers had arrived. The staff was fresh and excited. The campers were in the pool. We were looking forward to a good week. As I walked from the swimming pool toward the office, something caused me to look back. There it was—a black cloud—as black as I've ever seen. The bottom edge was a weird green. I yelled at a staffer to get them out of the pool. They rushed to the cabins, then to the gym. By then the storm was raging. We moved them to the lower level. Large vents in the top of the gym were sucked shut as the storm went over. Mrs. Pace had to cook with gas and we ate by candlelight. Only one boy came to complain. The others were calm. What a way to start camp! The power company had our lights on within three hours.

"The boy who complained about the storm complained about everything. He was the thorn in everybody's flesh. He fought the whole week. Staffers began to ask, 'What's the penalty for murdering a camper?' One of counselors never gave up. Finally Thursday night rolled around and the camp pastor gave an invitation. Guess who was first down the aisle! He went straight to his counselor. The fighter met his match. He invited Jesus into his heart.

"Later as I walked up the hill for campfire, the camp was quiet. A couple of staffers were building the fire. They didn't speak and neither did I. I just walked over and sat down next to the tree. I listened to the insects of the night. There was a whip-poor-will nearby calling his mate. The sky was clear and stars were shining.

"Then I heard the muffled noises of the campers as they filed up and took their seats without a word. The staff began the program centered on the cross. They asked if anyone had made a decision any time during the evening and would like to say something. Guess who got up. 'I've been the baddest boy here. I'm the baddest boy at school and church but Mark told me Jesus can change that.'"

"Others came forward. Except for a sniffle now and then, there was no noise. They began singing 'God is so good.' There was some hugging and crying, and the 'baddest' boy went to hug those he had fought with.

"The week that began with a storm ended with a 'peace, be still.' Next morning I was at the pool when my grandson came by. 'Paw, you know that boy that kept us awake all week wanting to fight?' 'Yes, Jon.' 'Well, he kept us up last night with 'I love Jesus!'"

# Churches support community-development funds

## analysis

The country's mainstream religious groups, carving out a new role for themselves in a decade of tempestuous economic and social change, have targeted community development loan funds as both investment opportunities and as tools for dealing with entrenched urban problems.

The loan funds, which attempt to have an effect on areas most often shunned by traditional lending institutions, are intermediaries through which private investment capital is funneled to poor communities. The funds provide resources for groups building low-income housing, providing social services and starting or strengthening business ventures.

Outspokenly committed to "socially responsible" investment, the National Association of Community Development Loan Funds, organized in 1986 and based in Philadelphia, now numbers 37 local funds across the country and manages \$62 million in capital. The funds lend money at below market rates and provide flexibility of a loan's structure not often available commercially.

In Philadelphia, a city besieged with fiscal problems, Episcopalians have announced they would invest millions in a community fund aimed at providing money for low-income housing and social services.

From parish to diocese to religious order, money from faith communities makes up 25 percent of the funds, the largest share from institutional investors, according to Martin Trimble, executive director of the national association.

The investment funds also are an effort to aid poor communities without repeating the problems of similar church efforts during the 1960s and 1970s. At that time, when the churches decided to respond to inner-city problems with capital, many denominations were making "good-heart but bad-head loans," said Jeremy Nowak, executive director of the Delaware Valley Community Reinvestment Fund, a member group of the national organization. "At some point you've got to learn to say 'no' to bad projects."

Stung by accountability problems with earlier direct loans, mainline churches sought a way to keep an eye on their investments by relying on fiscally responsible organizations that shared their social and ethical values, Trimble said.

At the same time, the 1980s saw the slashing of federal funding for low-income housing, deregulation of the financial industry and a torrent of speculative lending by institutions tied to local lenders and borrowers and more concentrated in the hands of a few institutions, said Nowak.

Serving Pennsylvania's eight-county Delaware Valley region, Nowak's group has been operating out of Philadelphia since its founding in 1985, with about 30 percent of its portfolio from religious organizations. Many borrowers have direct or indirect links to local judiciaries, organizations or churches, Trimble reported.

The money invested immediately by Pennsylvania Episcopalians will bring the local fund's assets to more than \$3 million, according to Nowak. "As Episcopalians who care about their city, they understand that they have a natural interest in the revitalization of neighborhoods," he said.

John Smart, rector of Holy Trinity Church, concurs. In responding to the social malaise afflicting Philadelphia, churches must take an active, positive role, he said. "The church must have concerns beyond those of its own internal life."

Elizabeth Eisenstadt  
Religious News Service

# baptist forum

## Thanks, RA camp

Our son spent his first week away from home at Royal Ambassadors camp. He and his dad had spent three weekends in past years on dad/Lad retreats. But this was his first experience away from home. We just want to take this opportunity to say thanks for making that a good experience for him.

Jeremy talked quite a bit about the different things he had done while he was at camp, which is unusual for him to share so much with us. We took that as a good sign. His cabin counselor was Ken.

Jeremy also told us when we picked him up that he was now a Christian. He explained to us how he had a new heart now and about how prayer service was held.

Sunday morning in church, Shively Baptist, Jeremy made his profession of faith public before his home church. He went through classes and was baptized. We just wanted to say thanks for helping him make good memories as a result of his first experience at camp.

Sam & Pam Ross  
Louisville

## Thanks, student department

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the student department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention for the outstanding youth camp program we have in Kentucky. It is a blessing to have an innovative, evangelical, well-organized and effective special camp program for youth within the means and reach of any church in our state.

The ministries of our Baptist Student Union summer missions teams are especially to be commended. The students represent the genuine Christian examples and

ideals that make a camp program not just good, but outstanding.

I would like to especially thank Tom Smoot and the campus ministers who coordinate the camps, train the mission teams and give their own time to camp leadership. Their interest in the youth camp program has built the sort of consistency that churches, parents and youth can trust.

I am also grateful for the facilities and staff of our two state Baptist assemblies. Kentucky Baptist youth are able to enjoy excellent camps at a reasonable price with cooperative and caring staff.

I, for one, hope that the resources for the KBC youth week programs will be expanded in the future. This program is a winner and delivers the results in the lives of students. All of us who have benefited from this program should become "boosters" and encourage our convention to keep this ministry unsurpassed in quality.

Michael Spencer, pastor  
Bullitt Lick Baptist Church  
Shepherdsville

## Some Kansas Baptists join Operation Rescue

By Louis Moore  
SBC Christian Life Commission

WICHITA, Kan. (BP)—Three of Wichita's 36 Southern Baptist pastors have been arrested in demonstrations since Operation Rescue began blockading the city's abortion clinics July 15.

At least one other Southern Baptist pastor says he is seriously considering joining in the protests, which would likely lead to his arrest. Five other Southern Baptist pastors have been spotted standing on the sidelines at the demonstrations.

The remaining Southern Baptist pastors in Wichita are divided along lines that are either for or against Operation Rescue. Operation Rescue chose Wichita as the site for its "Summer of Mercy" protests, and secular and religious leaders say the demonstrators have seized a strong emotional grip over the entire city.

More than 2,600 people, including at least 80 clergy, have been arrested in the demonstrations against Wichita's three abortion clinics.

Southern Baptist pastors arrested so far include Craig Atherton, 39, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church; David Cone, 45, pastor of County Acres Baptist Church; and Richard Simmons of Plainview Baptist Church.

John Click, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Wichita, the state's largest Southern Baptist congregation, said he has not yet decided what his involvement should be. Click is also a trustee of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, which has alternatives to abortion ministries as one of its assignments.

"These demonstrations have awakened many of us who are pro-life to do more than just be verbal," he said.

In an earlier newspaper interview Click advocated fighting abortion only through proper legal channels. But in an interview two weeks later, he said he is rethinking the situation.

Click said he is gravely concerned not

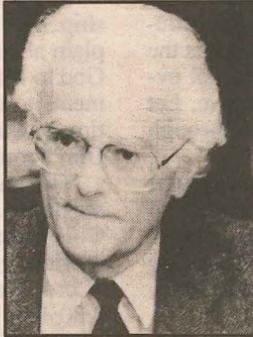
only with the abortion issue but also with how the protesters in Wichita have been treated.

U.S. District Judge Patrick Kelly—a Roman Catholic—has ordered U.S. marshals to enforce his orders stopping the protesters from blocking access to the abortion clinics. He has jailed some protesters with stiff sentences and vowed to keep the abortion clinics open.

Click said: "The rights of people are being trampled. The issue is much broader than just pro-life. I appeal to our Baptist brethren and our Baptist leadership to help us in this hour of crisis."

"Until now, I have not felt in my heart free to express my convictions (by demonstrating). But I affirm the priesthood of

the believer at this point. Much of the New Testament was written by Paul in prison. I can't disassociate myself from men of conscience who are taking this stand."



U.S. District Judge Patrick Kelly

## Kentucky Baptist schools open books on fall semester

Baptist schools throughout Kentucky have opened their doors for the fall semester.

- Georgetown College began classes Aug. 27. More than 1,500 students were expected to register, comparable to last year's enrollment. This fall the college will inaugurate its new president, William H. Crouch.

- Campbellsville College began classes Aug. 21. Enrollment is expected to reach

950, an increase over last year. The \$1 million renovation of the gym into a student activities center will be completed for the fall semester.

- Cumberland College began classes Aug. 26. Enrollment is expected to be equivalent to last year's number of 1,812.

- Clear Creek Bible College begins classes Aug. 28. Expected enrollment is 151, an increase over last year.

- Southern Baptist Theological Seminary began classes Aug. 26. On-campus enrollment is projected at 2,100 students and could show a slight increase over last year. Larry McSwain will lead convocation as the new provost.

- Mid-Continent Bible College began classes Aug. 19. Enrollment is expected to be 130. The new dining hall-women's dorm is complete.

## Bert Benz dies; Lexington church supported family

LEXINGTON—Bert Benz, the Maryland pastor befriended by Lexington Baptists during a bone-marrow transplant, died Aug. 19.

Benz, 47, was pastor of Faith Baptist Church in Hampstead, Md.

The leukemia patient came to the University of Kentucky's Markey Cancer Center for the transplant after a nationwide search failed to find a perfect marrow donor. His 12-year-old daughter, Lauren, served as donor and was classified as a near-perfect match.

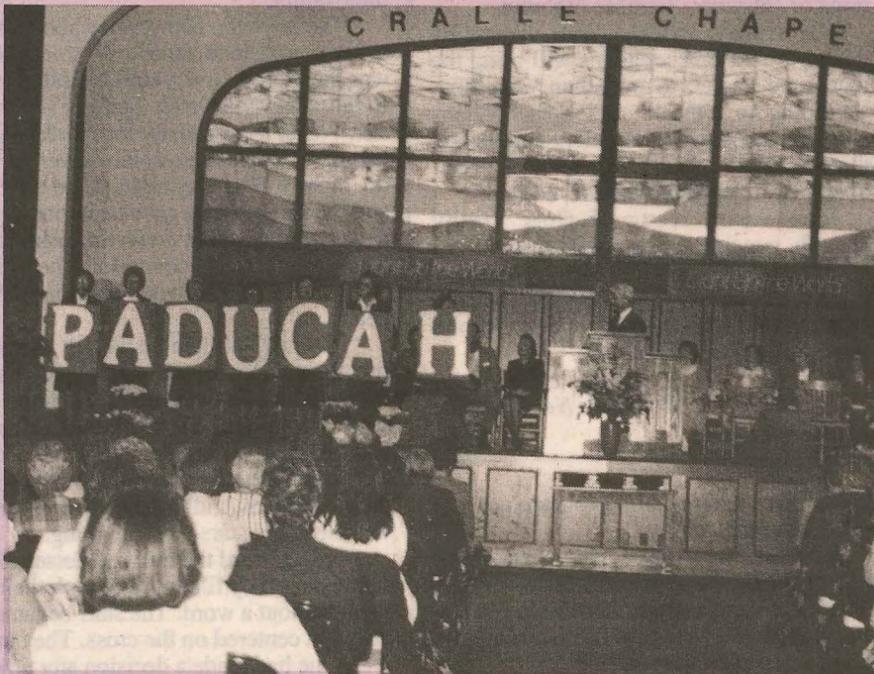
Before Benz arrived in Lexington, members of Gardenside Baptist Church began preparing an apartment for his wife and two daughters. The apartment also was to be used as a germ-free environment for Benz's recovery period after the transplant.

Benz passed away one month after receiving the transplant—before he had a chance to move to the apartment where his family awaited him. The cause of death was kidney and liver failure.

"I'll never forget him," said Ray Huffman, who supervised the paint crew preparing the apartment. "I listened to his testimony when he said, 'I was in God's hand before I got sick, I'm in God's hand while I am sick, and if I don't make it, I'll be in God's hand, too.'"

"You could just feel his effect on everybody who came in contact with him. He just might have reached more in his sickness than in his ministry."

## PADUCAH FIRST BAPTIST REACHES ACROSS KENTUCKY



Dr. J. Robert White, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Paducah, and President of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, welcomed over 2,000 participants to the annual Kentucky Baptist Women's Missionary Union Meeting held on the Cumberland College campus this spring. White and members of his congregation invited those present to attend the 1992 gathering.

Later this summer a group of volunteers from the church returned to the campus to assist in the Cumberland College Mountain Outreach program. This program has been named President George Bush's 220th Point of Light.

"This is a tremendous Christian Outreach to glorify Christ. It's our Brotherhood project and I think we should have more things like this," stated Charlie Joyner of First Baptist Church, Paducah, as he discussed the work of the group of church volunteers who helped construct a home for a family in Southeastern Kentucky.



A group of workers from First Baptist Church, Paducah, spent many long, hot hours this summer constructing a house for a family in Southeastern Kentucky as a part of Cumberland College's Mountain Outreach program.

# Kentucky teens nail down world-changing summer

CAPE CHARLES, Va. (BP)—Looking toward the sky at a passing cropduster, Louise Smith's voice cracked as she spoke of the high school youth who worked several yards away re-roofing her home.

"I love it," Smith said. "I don't know how I'll ever thank them for what they've done. Why, I couldn't have afforded to buy one bundle of shingles."

The 78-year-old widow lives on a fixed income. She represents the many elderly, disabled and low-income families whose lives were touched this summer during World Changers projects held in six states and Mexico.

Three groups from Kentucky were among more than 1,200 participants from 17 states. World Changers is an eight-day coeducational missions project for high school youth sponsored by the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission. Kentucky participants were from Spring Meadows Children's Home, Louisville; Shively Baptist Church, Louisville; and Trinity Baptist Church, Lexington.

Mike Dixon, Spring Meadows campus director, marveled at the time his youth had in Birmingham, Ala.

"We could see changes in kids, in self confidence. You put in a hard day's work and see that it makes a difference in people's lives.

"When you leave the mountaintop experience, you still have blisters, the physical evidence that it was real."

He said his group gained a new sense of community. They were the first children's



**HELPING HANDS**—Shannon Funk and Kristi Matherly of Shively Baptist Church in Louisville load scrap building materials onto a truck during renovation of a home on Virginia's Eastern shore. Three groups of Kentucky youth participated in the Brotherhood Commission's World Changers ministry projects this summer. (Photo by Tim Yarbrough)

home group to work on a World Changers project. Though none of the youths had ever worked on houses before, Dixon was

encouraged by "seeing our kids take the initiative, being willing to do something that is awkward in front of people, being

able to have barriers broken and to do a good job."

Shively Baptist youth worked on the Eastern Shore of Virginia July 27-Aug. 3 doing home renovation and repair. They took five youths and three adults.

Youth minister John Gribbins recalled how one of his youth was terrified of heights but worked on a roofing team in spite of her fears.

The Trinity Baptist group worked in St. Louis. Twenty-two youths and six adults participated.

Pastor Rick Landon said the trip "helped to make them more sensitive to low income families, to living situations other than those they are from."

Trinity has had a longstanding goal of involving their youth in social ministries. "We've tried to take our kids to do backyard Bible clubs in areas where there are no backyards," the pastor said.

Landon also said the project involved the whole church, not just the youth. The church included the trip in the budget, helped youth prepare spiritually and physically, and then prayed for them.

"The Southern Baptist missions spirit is alive and well in the lives of our youth," said Andy Morris, World Changers director. "World Changers gives youth the opportunity to express that missions spirit by doing missions. They become 'doers' rather than just 'readers.'"

*This story was reported by Tim Yarbrough of the SBC Brotherhood Commission and Ron Chaney of the Western Recorder staff.*

## See You at the Pole slated for statewide youth prayer rallies

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June, Compton explained. "We heard from youth ministers that youth needed a place to channel their energies. So we were looking for some way to make another step between the youth evangelism conference and the fall.

"We're hoping See You at the Pole will give a visible demonstration of the faith of our youth, that it will give visibility to Christians on campus. It also should encourage Christian young people to see that there are other Christians at their schools."

The second emphasis, Youth Reach, is

scheduled now through Sept. 15, but could be done at other times, according to Dean Finley, HMB youth evangelism specialist.

The primary element in Youth Reach is a youth baptismal celebration. The celebration service could be the time to baptize all teen-agers converted during summer camps and other special events, he said. Also, it could be an opportunity to baptize youths who have made professions of faith in Christ but never been baptized.

The celebration should help churches focus on the priority of youth evangelism, Compton added.

With a continued increase in youth ministry activities, churches should keep youth evangelism as a priority, he said. "Let's make sure in all our hayrides and wienie roasts that we prioritize giving youth an opportunity to respond to Christ."

In Kentucky, as across the Southern Baptist Convention, youth baptisms have declined dramatically since 1972. America's youth population also has declined during that period, but not to the same extent.

Every state Baptist convention has experienced at least a 26 percent decline in

youth baptisms since 1972, while America's youth population has declined less than 10 percent, Finley said.

In Kentucky, youth baptisms have declined from a high of 8,061 in 1972 to 4,521 last year. The state's low was recorded in 1987, when 3,926 youth were baptized.

Youth baptism rates are an important indicator, Compton said, because about 75 percent of all people who become Christians do so before the age of 20.

The 4,521 youth baptisms recorded in KBC churches last year accounted for 27 percent of all baptisms in KBC churches.

## Where do teens turn? Friends, not ministers

RIDGECREST, N.C. (BP)—Baptist parents think their teen-agers go first to youth ministers for help in a crisis, but Baptist teen-agers say that's not so.

In an informal survey given to youth and adults during summer youth celebrations at Ridgecrest, N.C., and Glorieta, N.M., 33 percent of adults said they believe teen-agers go first to their youth ministers when in need of help or advice.

But youth minister was fourth on the list given by teen-agers. Their first three choices were friends, parents and God.

Parents placed themselves last on the list of people youth would go to for help.

"I think we need to understand that kids are talking to kids, and have as long as I know," said Joe Richardson, author of the book "How to Help Your Friends" and counselor at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Richardson's book arms young people with ways to sense or recognize problems in their friends, how to confront those problems, how to help friends work through the problems, and how to use the Bible to address the problems.

Another counseling tool is the 24-hour Counselor, a four-volume tape collection addressing needs and problems of youth.

## Expert says teens need caring adults more than fancy church programs

By Linda Lawson  
SBC Sunday School Board

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP)—Teen-agers need caring adults more than multi-faceted church programs, an editor of youth curriculum says.

Teen-agers need Christian adults who love and accept them and who are available to listen and talk, says Doug Merritt of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Youth today struggle with questions about their identity—questions that are complicated by family conflicts, he says. The age-old problem of parent-youth conflict is further aggravated by issues such as discipline by step-parents or relating to an absentee parent.

Surrounded by people, youth grapple with loneliness, he says.

"We have large schools where kids are surrounded by other kids but feel more alone. The same is true in large churches.

"Youth exploring God's call don't have the opportunity to preach or teach or lead singing. They need involvement in small groups where they can excel and be accepted."

Pressures to excel at school are beyond the understanding of most parents, many of whom have voluntarily opted out of exercising influence in schools, Merritt believes.

"Individual attention to teen-agers is a great need, and through the churches we have an opportunity to provide this. Youth workers I talk to say the most important thing in their ministries is having lots of adults involved," Merritt says.

These adults must relate to youth individually and as adult friends. They must be willing to invest both quality and quantity time.

"Be available and accessible honestly," Merritt suggests. "Don't promise what you can't deliver."

In dealing with youth one-on-one, adults must "teach and model Christlike values consistently. We must live the life we want them to adopt," he says.

Youth workers should challenge teen-agers in matters of faith and religion, Merritt says.

"Youth don't need an easy religion. They need to be challenged. They need a cause worth giving their lives to."

## Teens' big problems? Depends who you ask

RIDGECREST, N.C. (BP)—In a new twist on the generation gap, polls of teen-agers and adults show the two groups disagree on what are the biggest problems teen-agers face.

Teens placed drugs at the top of the list, but adults cited peer pressure first.

The results came from three polls. One was a formal survey administered by the Gallup Poll. The other two were informal polls taken among teen-agers and adults during summer youth celebrations at Glorieta, N.M., and Ridgecrest, N.C.

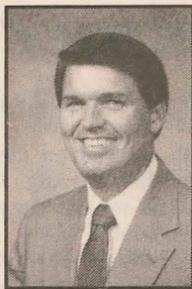
According to the Gallup poll, America's teen-agers believe their biggest problems are:

- Drugs (54 percent)
- Alcohol (12 percent)
- Pregnancy (11 percent)
- Peer pressure (10 percent)
- AIDS (5 percent)

Drugs also headed the list of the biggest problems cited by teen-agers in the Glorieta and Ridgecrest polls.

On the other hand, adults surveyed at Glorieta and Ridgecrest believe peer pressure is the top concern of young people. Other concerns cited by adults were personal problems, family problems and spiritual problems.

# christian education



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## clear creek chronicle

### Back to school

Fall semester classes begin here Aug. 28. We anticipate a larger enrollment and almost a full house on campus. The admissions office approved 54 new students, but a few of those may not be able to complete arrangements to come.

The new class reflects the diversity which has marked our students for many years. They come from nine states with Kentucky providing 26—almost half the class. Other states and the number of students from each include: Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina 1; Oklahoma 2; Indiana 4; Ohio 5; Tennessee 12.

New students range in age from 19 to 48. Anyone below age 21 must gain special admissions status. These students must have demonstrated several years of Christian growth and commitment to ministry. Only three of the new class are in this category and one of them will turn 21 during her first year. One of the others has completed a year of college.

Clear Creek continues to be a school for the family. Thirty-seven freshmen are married and have 59 children. Two couples expect a birth during the first year.

Educational background of the class of '95 reflects an upward trend with 24 of them transferring previous college work. Two of the class have not completed high school but will be able to secure a GED while at Clear Creek.

What did these students do before the Lord called them? Everything! Occupational backgrounds include: welder, cosmetology, truck driver, secretary, computers, sales, carpenter, United States Air Force, drafting, machine operator, business manager, electrician, policeman, sheet metal worker, postal delivery. Four of the students left pastorates to secure needed preparation.

Pray for these students. Many have left nice homes and good jobs. They must adjust to smaller student housing and lesser-paying part-time employment. Each week brings an opportunity to grow or trial with which to cope. Sam and Tonia Wooten faced their first trial before a week had passed. They had to move on campus before their permanent residence was completed. Living out of boxes in Kelly Hall was enough. Before they got settled, three-year-old Samantha broke her arm. As her fracture heals, student families will be mending emotional breaks and building new relationships which will sustain them while at Clear Creek and influence them for the remainder of their ministry.

**CLEAR CREEK BIBLE COLLEGE:** Jim and Shelby Castlen, former missionaries to the Philippines and Australia, have completed one year as missionaries-in-residence. He will continue at Clear Creek as professor of church music and she as secretary to the president.

**GEORGETOWN COLLEGE:** The Baptist Association of Georgetown Nov. 15-17. The keynote address on Friday will be given by James William McClendon, distinguished

scholar in residence at the school of theology at Fuller Theological Seminary. Michael Beaty, of Baylor University's department of philosophy and BAPT president, will speak Saturday. For information, write Robert Kruschwitz, Department of Philosophy, Georgetown College, 400 East College Street, Georgetown, Ky. 40324-1696, or call (502) 863-8081. ... Joe O. Lewis, vice president for academic affairs, Paul L. Redditt, chairman of the department of religion, and Joe E. Lunsford, associate professor of New Testament, authored a

total of nine articles for the Holman Bible Dictionary. ... H.M. Lewis, chairman of the department of music, performed at a banquet in Louisville in honor of Public Broadcasting System Civil War series producer Ken Bruns. ... George McGee, associate professor of communication arts, appeared as Elijah Craig, the founder of the city of Georgetown, at the Kentucky State Fair. He also filmed a commercial for Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville. ... Tony G. Whitfield, associate professor of music, published an edited piece of Anton Bruckner's "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," by Music 70 Publishers. ... Marc C. Whitt, director of public relations wrote a pre-publication review of the book "A Guide to Preparing Cost-Effective Press Releases," by Robert H. Loeffler.

**CAMPBELLSVILLE COLLEGE:** New personnel include: James Howard, chairman of the division of education and professor of education; Ralph Tesseneer, visiting lecturer in psychology; Rita A. Creason, director of student records; Tommy Johnson, director of campus ministries; Fred L. (K.J.) Miller, admissions counselor; Steve Bedingfield, head swimming/soccer coach; and Hal Strough, athletic trainer.

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# Friends praise life & work of Chiles

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leagues.

"Dr. Chiles is one of the gentlest, noblest Christian men I have ever known," said William W. Marshall, executive secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. "His steady, exemplary life is surely one of the human foundation-stones upon which this generation of Kentucky Baptists rests. He is one of those quiet leaders who have contributed much to the strength of our Kentucky Baptist fellowship."

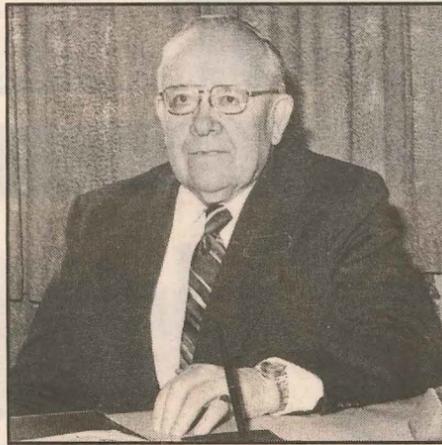
Marshall's predecessor, Franklin Owen, noted Chiles has conservative roots and a loving heart: "Harley is just as conservative as he can be. He also is a sweet spirit and an excellent comrade."

Chiles has been a leader all his life, added his cousin, lifelong friend and former Kentucky Baptist staff member, A.B. Colvin. "I remember when he was 20 years old, he was in charge of his family. He seemed to have terrific judgment, and people recognized it. I can recall scores of times when the (KBC) executive secretary would say, 'When I heard about that, I called Dr. Chiles to see what he thought about it.'"

Noted C.R. Daley, editor of the Western Recorder for 27 years of Chiles' tenure: "He represents the best of a tradition of Southern Baptists in Kentucky, plus he has always welcomed new methods. He's probably as excellent a teacher as Kentucky Baptists have produced, and he has typically done at least enough work for two men."

"Whatever he's done, and he's done a lot of things, he's always done with unusual excellence. There have been no halfway jobs with H.C. Chiles."

Franklin Paschall, pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church of Nashville and a former president of the Southern Baptist Conven-



**LASTING LEGACY**—H.C. Chiles wrote Sunday school lessons for the Western Recorder for more than four decades.

tion, described his former colleague as "steady, sane and spiritual."

"Dr. Chiles is not a back-slapper or a hail-fellow-well-met. He's rather retiring," noted Paschall, who was a young pastor in Hazel when Chiles was pastor in nearby Murray. "What he has written reflects study and expresses insight. His contribution to Baptist life has been enormous. He deserves the thanks of all Baptists."

"He has been a good diplomat, not a fanatic," said J. Bill Jones, a fellow minister for decades whose parents were members of First Baptist of Murray. "He has strong convictions, but he always has been kind and open-minded and able to deal with people who differed from him. ..."

"He was so serious intellectually. He never used any excuse not to be his best in the pulpit. He was top-notch."

"We thought of him as Mr. Kentucky

Baptist," said Clear Creek President Bill Whittaker, who was pastor of the Murray church. Chiles preached in all but two Kentucky counties, he said.

Chiles' friends have endowed the H.C. Chiles Chair of New Testament at the college, he added, noting: "Dr. Chiles said several times that he wanted to help 'the boys'—speaking of the preacher boys—as long as he could. And they liked him; they almost always came out of his classes with sermon outlines."

Chiles' legacy lives on in Murray, reported Greg Earwood, pastor of First Baptist: "The ministry of Dr. Chiles carried forward and enhanced the rich heritage on which First Baptist Murray now stands. A part of that heritage has been an emphasis on the educational life of the church. While Dr. Chiles was pastor, he led in the construction of our present educational building. Dr. Chiles also was known for his thoroughness in preparation for the pulpit and other speaking occasions."

Murray layman G.T. Lilly described his former pastor as even-tempered, democratic, an excellent story-teller and committed. "He is one of the hardest-working pastors I have ever known," Kelly said. "He devoted himself exclusively to the pastoral ministry of First Baptist Church, oftentimes to the exclusion of his own welfare."

Noted Richard W. Bridges, chairman of the Western Recorder board of directors: "Dr. Chiles' writing and leadership in the word of God has influenced more Kentucky Baptists than can be counted. The Western Recorder is grateful to have been the vehicle for his leadership through the word of God."

"No one can ever take the place of H.C. Chiles, but we are committed to continuing his splendid example of teaching."



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## homes for children

### A practical application

The following is a letter from Mrs. Holbrook of Green Acres Baptist Church, Louisville. She describes Christian love in action.

"Your article in Western Recorder January 15, 1991, on Homes for Children really caught my eye. 'From Foster Homes to Homelessness' was the subtitle. My husband, Frank, and I experienced helping three young men age 18 in 1983. These three boys were from broken homes or adopted and left homeless. They graduated in my son's class of 1983 at Southern High School, Louisville. We did not have an extra bedroom but we borrowed mattresses and made beds on the floor of the den plus a couch that one slept on.

"The way they moved in was really diplomatic. Our son asked if one of these boys could move a dresser in his room. We agreed. Before long another piece of furniture arrived. And our back porch began possessing furniture 'for clothes.' Then one by one they asked if they could sleep over for a night. One night became eight or 10 months for two boys and two years for one. They needed a 'resting place' while they grew a little, but more after graduating from school a place to house their belongings so they could have time to find jobs.

"It was hard on us—no privacy at all. We had only one bathroom. We posted a sign on the door to let each one know when it was occupied. People shook their heads at us.

"We have done this for several other people, too; once a mother with four children. We helped her get three children into Spring Meadows Home for a while. On the first Mother's Day weekend, Spring Meadows delivered all three to our house for the holiday and we had the three young men here at the time.

"I feel like this was the least we could do. We couldn't afford to give these people money, so we shared what we had.

"So you see, your article hit a soft spot in my heart. Prevention is the best cure for helping a would-be criminal. All they need is a helping hand. They are reaching out for help and Christians should reach for that hand and give help.

"This is the kind of mission work we like—seeing people we help and giving them a lift. It is so rewarding."



**Barkley Moore**  
President  
Oneida Baptist Institute  
Oneida, KY 40972

## oneida journal

### Where has the summer gone?

Walking across the campus this evening shortly before dark, headed back to the office for an evening's work, the question came to mind, "Where has the summer gone?" It has been a very busy summer. The daylight hours have been filled with showing guests around, talking with prospective students and parents, interviewing men and women interested in possibly serving here, and working on mail whenever there are a few minutes to do so.

After about a two-hour respite around the evening news time, the evenings are filled in returning phone messages that have accumulated while I've been on campus with guests, signing letters typed for me during the day, writing many other letters in the evening with a secretary helping me often until 11 p.m. or later,

writing articles, and acting on the business affairs of the school. Between phone calls that continue to come in through the evening, and conferences sandwiched in with various staff members and students, often much of my planned evening's work is still not done when I finally call it quits around 2 a.m.

Those who have worked with me or have attended school here know that I am a people person. I always put "flesh and blood" before the paper work. With a staff of over 130 people to manage, and trying to keep everyone moving in the same general direction, I stay quite busy. Also we have over 500 girls and boys from age 10 on up. I have an open-door policy to all except that I frown on any student or teacher being in my office during class hours. I rarely leave the campus except for business directly involving the school, a wedding or a funeral or a hospital visit. I go to no church or association unless invited to do so. Only twice in the past 19 years have I solicited money from anyone face to face. I do not put the "bite" on people.

I really appreciate every person who cares or is curious enough to come see what the Lord is doing in hundreds of lives at Oneida. No one just drops in as they are passing by. We are not on the road to anywhere but rather are 40 miles from the nearest interstate or bus station. Those who come here have to make a real effort. In my own conception of my duty, I should be here to receive all who come. I am normally not away from the campus overnight more than three to four nights a year. Sometimes I may be many hours from home but always try to get back so as to be ready for another day of opportunities to serve. Often the days and nights are filled with problems but, optimist that I am, I perceive such to be opportunities.

We worship every school day, including summer school, with each student and teacher attending. I normally miss no more than 10 chapels yearly. I consider attending chapel one of my most important duties and privileges. I preside at the services, but rarely speak beyond calling for someone to lead in prayer, introducing the speaker of the day, and asking for announcements when the service has ended. Normally I speak no more than four to five times yearly. That will come as a surprise to many who may read this. When I am asked away from home to speak, I have much to say and I use my time to share as much as possible. But a vessel must also be filled. I cannot learn anything new when I am speaking. One can only learn by listening, not talking. One should listen at least twice as much as talking. God gave us two ears but only one tongue. Chapel is my special time to listen, to learn and to grow spiritually.

By the time you read this, our new school year will have begun—our 92nd academic year. We need your prayers. It is an awesome responsibility to have the care of over 500 children day and night, to feed them three times a day, to teach them, to minister to their physical and spiritual needs.

Also, we estimate that it will take approximately \$9,600 each day during the next 12 months or \$400 per hour. Kentucky Baptists have promised \$270,000 for the coming year, or about 6 percent of our needs. We are grateful for each dollar. But where is the other \$3,300,000 to come from?"

Often I am told, "If I had a million dollars, I'd sure give it to Oneida" Really?

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But what you are doing at present  
With the dollar and quarter you've got."*



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# Churches urged to start ministries to the homeless

By Jim Newton  
SBC Home Mission Board

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP)—Lamenting that few churches minister to homeless Americans, a Baptist center director offered practical suggestions on how to address their physical and spiritual needs.

Tobey Pitman, director of the Brantley Center in New Orleans for the past two years, said 240 people accepted Christ during his first year at the center and 352 accepted Christ last year.

"We were praying for one person a day to accept Christ, and we almost reached our goal," Pitman said. From January until June this year, 309 people accepted Christ at the Brantley Center.

Pitman suggested four possible church-based ministries for the homeless during a workshop at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Conference Center.

- Possible food ministries include soup kitchens, bag lunches, food pantries, meals on weekends or holidays when other food programs are closed, voucher systems providing free meals at local restaurants and mobile feeding units similar to the disaster relief units of state Brotherhood organizations.

- Examples of medical and hygiene ministries include clinics providing free medical and dental care, tuberculosis testing, shower facilities at local churches, free haircuts, clothes closets (especially providing warm coats in the winter) and washers and dryers where people can wash clothes.

- Support groups offer an-

other valuable ministry to the homeless. Examples include Alcoholics Anonymous; discussion groups; cultural worship services; adult literacy programs; English as a second language classes; vocational rehabilitation groups; air conditioned, heated reading room where people can relax; a mailing address and telephone for the homeless and a job referral service.

Temporary housing may be the most complex and least practical ministry, Pitman said. He suggested some churches consider providing housing only during bad weather.

A one-page list of practical suggestions of ministries to the homeless is available from the church and community ministries department of the Florida Baptist Convention, 1230 Hendricks Avenue, Jacksonville,

Fla. 32207, Pitman said.

Pitman urged Baptists to conduct a community survey to determine the extent of the problem and to discover what others are already doing before starting a ministry.

He cautioned those interested in such ministries not to fall into the trap of feeling they shouldn't do anything unless it is the biggest and best program anywhere. He also warned against getting discouraged when opposition develops.

"Many church people are afraid of the homeless. They think they will mess up the church building or steal or destroy church property if you let them inside the church door."

Stressing the response of homeless people to the gospel, Pitman declared: "Now is the time for churches to get in on the ground

floor of developing ministries to the homeless that will become models for others to follow."

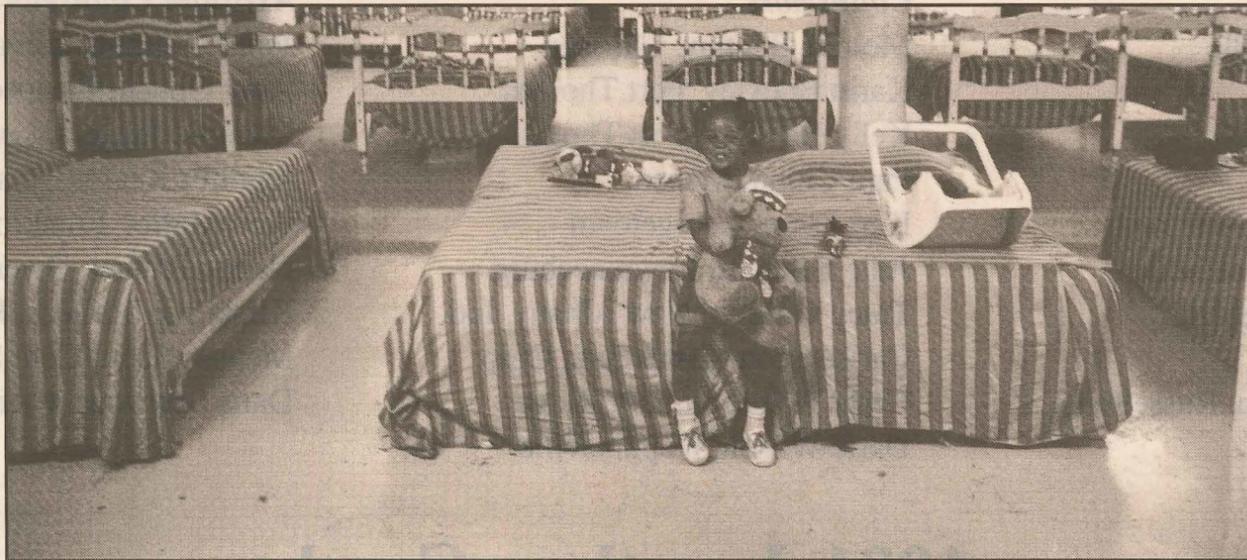
Most advocacy organizations which work with the homeless claim there are about 3 million homeless people in America, Pitman said.

Laughter broke out when Pitman told workshop participants the official 1990 census reported only 228,621 homeless Americans. "Most people don't believe that figure is accurate," he said.

The American stereotype of homeless people as drunks and bums is inaccurate, Pitman said. The 3 million homeless Americans includes those who lost their homes because of an emergency such as fire, tornado, or eviction; stranded travellers; the unemployed; individuals and families on public assistance and welfare; the "lifestyle homeless" such as runaways, dropouts, prostitutes and alcoholics who have chosen to be homeless; the disabled (both physical and mental); and the "hidden homeless" who live with other family members but have no homes.

He cited research which indicates 30-40 percent of the homeless are families; 67 percent are single men; 30 to 50 percent are veterans; 25-33 percent are mentally ill or handicapped; 10-15 percent are single women; 44 percent are addicted to drugs or alcohol and all are very poor.

"There is no such thing as a typical homeless person," Pitman said. "About 75 percent of all Americans are just two paychecks away from being homeless."



**HOMELESS SHELTER**—At Inner City Baptist Chapel, an affiliate of First Baptist Church, Dallas, 500 homeless can be sheltered at one time. Pastor Bobby Worthington believes that homeless people need a sense of belonging. "Homeless people need to become members of a church," he says. "They need that support. When they are sick they need someone to visit them. When they die they need someone to preach the funeral. We try to meet every need that a typical church would meet in ministering to people."

## Military personnel need home-church care, educator says

By Susan Todd Doyle  
Woman's Missionary Union

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP)—A forgotten community of church members needs care and attention from hometown churches, said a missions educator.

Southern Baptists shouldn't wait until there is a crisis such as the Persian Gulf War to minister to members of the military, said Jim Furgerson, director of Baptist Men and Senior Baptist Men for the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission.

"Members of the military live in a different world with distinct differences from the civilian world. It's a very mobile world, and separations are very real," he said.

Furgerson suggested ways churches can mend separations from home and church. He spoke to men and women who attended leadership training conferences sponsored by Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Conference Center.

The most important thing a home church can do for military personnel is to maintain contact, he said. "You're so hungry to hear from your church, even a Sunday bulletin can be a treasure," Furgerson said, recalling his own days of military service.

Children involved in missions organizations such as Girls in Action and Royal Ambassadors are wonderful groups to enlist as pen pals for military personnel, he

suggested. Girls in Action is the WMU-sponsored missions organization for girls in grades one through six. Royal Ambassadors is the Brotherhood-sponsored organization for school-age boys.

"If your church does a special musical, somebody's going to record it," he said, suggesting they send a copy of the tape to the military personnel. "What a treasure that would be."

If a church has a deacon/family ministry plan, perhaps one deacon could be assigned all members who would fall in this group, he said.

A particular project adult WMU organizations such as Baptist Women and Baptist Young Women can take on is to minister to

military personnel through care packages, he suggested.

"What a way to reach out and say 'We remember you,'" Furgerson said. Items such as home-baked goods and specialty foods from the church's locale are always welcome gifts, he said.

Handicrafts are other welcome gifts, he added. "Send the needlepoint, the cross-stitch."

One of the most crucial things a church can do to support and minister to members in the military is to remember them in prayer, Furgerson said.

Of the more than 2 million active-duty military personnel, 320,000 of them are Southern Baptists.

## Congregations can care for 90 percent of hurting members

By Chip Alford  
SBC Sunday School Board

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP)—About 90 percent of the hurting people in churches could be helped by fellow church members, a conference leader said.

"As Christians, part of our ministry role, whether we are pastors or church leaders or not, is to be a caregiver to people. We should all be in the soul-care business," said Jim Hightower, pastoral leadership consultant in the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's church administration department.

Hightower led a series of seminars titled, "Called to Care: The Basics of Caring for People," during Bible-Preaching-Administration Week Aug. 3-10 at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Conference Center.

"There is no way pastors can do all the

pastoral care in a church," Hightower said. "They simply don't have the time. Other members of the church staff, deacons, Sunday school teachers, any concerned Christians, can provide help."

One of the keys in providing counseling to hurting people, Hightower said, is "knowing your boundaries."

"One sign of a good counselor is knowing when to intervene and when to refer to someone else," he explained. "There are some people I can help, and others whose problems are too complex and will require professional medical or psychiatric attention."

Hightower urged pastors and church members to refrain from referring to any professional counselor "that they do not personally know and feel comfortable with." While he does not believe it is imperative

the counselor be a Christian, Hightower said it is important he or she "take the religious part of the client seriously."

Hightower shared with conference participants three "maxims" in determining whether they should offer help to someone who is hurting:

- You can't help folks who don't want help.

- You can't help people if they don't know what they want.

- Only you know your boundaries—what you can help people with and what you can't.

He also said people with the following problems will require professional help: delusional thinking, severe depression, eating disorders, thought disorders and addictive behaviors, such as alcoholism or drug addiction.

"All of these have a common component," Hightower explained. "They have a medical component that lay people will not know how to deal with. But these are only 5 to 10 percent of the people who are hurting in the church."

The other 90 to 95 percent, we can do a good job with."

Hightower said the best pastoral counselors are people who have endured suffering themselves.

"One way we can make whatever we suffer in life meaningful is to use it to comfort other people," he said.

Hightower, a licensed counselor and marriage and family therapist, compiled a book on pastoral counseling titled, "Called to Care: Helping People Through Pastoral Care." The book was published by Convention Press in 1990.

# “Thank You!”



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